



PATENT Customer No. 22,952/ Attorney Docket No. 1435-164

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hans-Jurgen Haardt et al.) Group Art Unit: 1764
Serial No.: 09/722,356) Examiner: Jennifer A. Leung
Filed: November 28, 2000)
For: Process for Early Detection of Reactor Fouling in Gas Phase Polymerisation)))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement dated June 23, 2003, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I, Claims 1-7, and Group II, Claim 8.

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-7, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to a process for early detection of reactor fouling occurring during gas phase polymerization of olefins, for prosecution in this case.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application based on the subject matter of non-elected claim 8.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: July 21, 2003

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